03500.016039.

PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)	
HARUO MACHIDA	:	Examiner: Insun Kang
	:	Art Unit: 2193
Application No.: 10/022,375)	Conf. No.: 7735
Filed: December 20, 2001)	
For: NETWORK SYSTEM, INFORMATION PROCESSING UNIT, INFORMATION PROCESSING METHOD, AND CONTROL	:	
	:	
)	
PROGRAM)	February 20, 2008

Mail Stop: Amendment

Commissioner for Patents P. O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to continued examination on the merits, a Request for Continued

Examination being filed herewith, Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner amend the above-identified application as follows. The amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing beginning on page 2, and the Remarks begin on page 6.